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| In re the Application of: Worthy, D. | Date: 20 April 2000 |
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| Title: "Bias Compensating Remote Audience Survey System and Method" | Attorney Docket No: 1672-070CON |

PRELIMINARY REMARKS

Assistant Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

The Accompanying 37 CFR 1.53(b) Application is a continuation of Parent Application: Serial No. 09/038,267, filed 10 March 1998, still pending. The Parent Application (Serial No. 09/038,267) will NOT be abandoned.

In the parent (09/038,267) to the present 37 CFR 1.53(b) Continuation application, an Office Action dated 14 September 1999 rejected claims 1, 5, 11-17, and 21. In addition, claims 2-4, 6-10, and 18-20 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim and claims 22 and 23 were allowed. Accordingly, claims 1, 5, 11, 13-17, and 21 were canceled and claims 2, 6, 12, and 18 were amended in an Amendment, dated 29 February 2000, in the parent case. Claims 3-4, 7-10, 19-20, and 22-23 remained unchanged as originally filed in the parent case.

A Notice of Allowability responsive to the 29 February 2000 Amendment allowed claims 2-4, 6-10, 12, 18-20, 22, and 23. Presumably, the parent case will issue in the near future.

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